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Attestation of Compliance with the federal Executive Order on Ensuring an Equitable Pandemic Response and Recovery

The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) requests your certification of compliance with the federal Executive Order on Ensuring an Equitable Pandemic Response and Recovery. DHSES requests that you sign and return this form to close COVID-19 Public Assistance projects once the work is completed. Submit this form one time only and prior to closing the last project. As per the Equitable COVID-19 Response and Recovery Job Aid, Subsection B. Equity Considerations for All COVID-19 Work; Subrecipients must prioritize limited resources to ensure an equitable pandemic response. The following items are elements Subrecipients may consider to ensure equitable allocation of resources:

- Using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) or similar value to determine highest-risk communities;
Considering communities disproportionately affected by the pandemic, in terms of infection rates, hospitalization, and mortality; and
Strengthening data collection efforts to substantiate that COVID-19 aid is reaching the highest-risk communities and underserved populations.

Subrecipients are required to comply with applicable provisions of laws and authorities prohibiting discrimination, including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin (including limited English proficiency)
Sections 308 and 309 of the Stafford Act, which require the impartial and equitable delivery of disasters services and activities, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination based on disability
Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, which prohibits discrimination based on sex in education programs or activities
Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibits discrimination based on age
U.S. Department of Homeland Security regulation 6 C.F.R. Part 19, which prohibits discrimination based on religion in social service programs
2 C.F.R 200 - Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, Subpart D – Post Federal Award Requirements §200.300 Statutory and national policy requirements.

I, _____ (print name of applicant’s authorized agent), attest that _____ (print name of applicant) COVID-19 response and recovery efforts were conducted in an equitable manner to the best of my knowledge, ability and/or belief. As circumstances permitted, we focused the use of FEMA funding on the highest-risk communities and underserved populations as determined by established measures of social and economic disadvantage. When resources were limited, we focused on communities experiencing the highest rates of COVID-19 to mitigate further transmission taking into account equity considerations. In addition, I confirm that, we as a subrecipient of Federal funding, comply with applicable provisions of laws and authorities prohibiting discrimination listed above.

_____ (Applicant’s authorized agency signature) _____ (Date)